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This issue of the Idaho Crop and Livestock Producers' News covers the results of the March 1 Milk Production Report. Total production and number of cows are reported for selected states and the U.S.

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Sincerely,

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Director

Idaho Milk Production Up 3.7 Percent

Idaho milk production during February 2010 totaled 933 million pounds, a 3.7 percent increase from the same month last year, but down 9 percent from January 2010. January 2010 milk production was revised to 1.03 billion pounds, up 7 million pounds from the preliminary level. Average milk production per cow in February 2010 was 1,690 pounds, up 50 pounds from February 2009. The average number of milk cows during February was 552,000 head, up 3,000 from February 2009, and up 1,000 head January 2010.

Milk production in the 23 major States during February totaled 13.6 billion pounds, up 0.1 percent from February 2009. January revised production at 14.8 billion pounds, was down 0.5 percent from January 2009. The January revision represented an increase of 14 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,640 pounds for February, 35 pounds above February 2009. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.32 million head, 168,000 head less than February 2009, but 3,000 head more than January 2010.

Milk Cows and Production: by Month, Idaho, 2009-2010

Month	Milk Cows ^{1/}		Milk Per Cow ^{2/}		Milk Production ^{2/}		Change From 2009
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	
	1,000 Head		Pounds		Million Pounds		Percent
January*	554	551	1,810	1,860	1,003	1,025	2.2
February	549	552	1,640	1,690	900	933	3.7
March	550		1,840		1,012		
April	551		1,800		992		
May	553		1,910		1,056		
June	549		1,880		1,032		
July	550		1,930		1,062		
August	548		1,940		1,063		
September	546		1,850		1,010		
October	546		1,870		1,021		
November	548		1,790		981		
December	550		1,850		1,018		
Annual	550		22,110		12,150		

*Revised 1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

Milk Production, Average Number of Cows, Selected States, February 2009-2010

State	Milk Cows ^{1/}		Milk Per Cow ^{2/}		Milk Production ^{2/}		Change From 2009
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
Arizona	189	170	1,865	1,930	352	328	-6.8
California	1,825	1,760	1,720	1,755	3,139	3,089	-1.6
Colorado	128	116	1,780	1,800	228	209	-8.3
Florida	117	112	1,540	1,530	180	171	-5.0
Idaho	549	552	1,640	1,690	900	933	3.7
Illinois	102	101	1,510	1,530	154	155	0.6
Indiana	167	169	1,560	1,560	261	264	1.1
Iowa	215	213	1,550	1,575	333	335	0.6
Kansas	124	116	1,655	1,645	205	191	-6.8
Michigan	354	355	1,700	1,755	602	623	3.5
Minnesota	468	470	1,475	1,490	690	700	1.4
Missouri	107	101	1,150	1,100	123	111	-9.8
New Mexico	333	318	1,880	1,870	626	595	-5.0
New York	623	610	1,540	1,560	959	952	-0.7
Ohio	277	272	1,430	1,500	396	408	3.0
Oregon	114	114	1,520	1,570	173	179	3.5
Pennsylvania	551	541	1,490	1,520	821	822	0.1
Texas	430	410	1,650	1,640	710	672	-5.4
Utah	85	83	1,570	1,620	133	134	0.8
Vermont	136	134	1,415	1,440	192	193	0.5
Virginia	97	95	1,425	1,400	138	133	-3.6
Washington	240	246	1,750	1,825	420	449	6.9
Wisconsin	1,255	1,260	1,505	1,585	1,889	1,997	5.7
23 State Total	8,486	8,318	1,605	1,640	13,624	13,643	0.1

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